

Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 Leave No Trace ethics

- ◆ **Plan ahead and prepare:** Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- ◆ **Travel and camp on durable surfaces:** Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- ◆ **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- ◆ **Leave what you find:** Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- ◆ **Minimize campfire impacts:** Fires permitted only in attended fire ring. Dead and down wood may be used.
- ◆ **Respect Wildlife:** Use carry-in/carry-out bear resistant food storage canister May 1st through October 31st. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- ◆ **Be considerate of other visitors:** Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

EMERGENCIES: In case of emergency, call Park Dispatch at (970) 586-1203 or 911. Map (over) shows the location of the nearest phone.

Site Location: The North Inlet horse/group site is located in a spruce-fir forest on the south side of the North Inlet Creek. A wood sign indicates the path to the sites; the path may be marked by red arrowheads on trees. Camp safely away from dead trees, as near as is safely possible to the silver metal arrowhead. Horse parties may ford the creek at the North Inlet Group/Stock sign. CAUTION SHOULD BE USED DURING THE SPRING AND EARLY SUMMER. Hikers should continue up the trail and use the log bridge at the Foot Bridge campsite. AGAIN, CAUTION SHOULD BE USED--THE LOG MAY BE SLIPPERY WHEN WET. The corral is located about 200 ft. east of the group site.

Number of Sites: 1 horse/group site

Distance: 6.5 mi. from North Inlet TH,
9.6 mi. from Bear Lake.

Privy: YES

Elevation: 9,290 ft.

Approx. Travel Time: 3-4 hrs.
from North Inlet TH

Elevation Change: 750 ft. gain from North Inlet TH
2,849 ft. gain from Bear Lake; 3,034 loss.

Water Source: Water is available in North Inlet Creek. Boil or adequately treat all water.

To Reach the Trailhead (TH): Drive along West Portal Road .2 mile past the stop sign and turn left on steep gravel road marked North Inlet Trailhead. Drive past the city water filtration plant and turn right crossing the bridge over Tonahutu Creek to the two parking lots. The trail begins beyond the locked gate at the first parking lot.

